उर्वरकों के वितरण हेतु अतिरिक्त ''रेक प्वाइंट''

3578. **श्रीमती रत्न कुमारी** : क्या **कृषि मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश के विभिन्न मार्गों में ''रेक प्वाइंट'' खोलने के मापदंड क्या हैं;

(ख) क्या सरकार उर्वरकों के वितरण को प्रोत्साहन देने के लिये अतिरिक्त ''रेक प्वाइंट'' खोलने का विचार रखती है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस वर्ष मध्य प्रदेश में कितने अतिरिक्त ''रेक प्वाइंट'' खोलने का प्रस्ताव है और वे किस-किस स्थान पर खोले जायेंगे ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में ग्रामीण विकास विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री उपेन्द्र नाथ वर्मा) : (क) रेल मंत्रालय द्वारा जारी किए गए दिशा-निर्देशों के अनुसार, शीर्ष केन्द्र को 100 कि.मी. तक के पृष्ठ प्रदेश को आवश्यकतायें पूरी करने में समर्थ होना चाहिए तथा प्रत्येक शीर्ष केन्द्र में पर्याप्त उर्वरक व्यापार होना चाहिए ताकि वह प्रति सप्ताह दो और उससे अधिक रैक प्राप्त कर सके ।

(ख) और (ग) मध्य प्रदेश में खण्डवां, रायगढ़, भाटापारा, मकसी तथा देवास स्टेशनों पर रैक संचालन केन्द्र खोलने का विकास कार्य प्रगति पर है ।

Permission *to* setup mechanised Slaughter houses

3579. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what are the reasons for the reported permission granted for the setting up of mechanised slaughter hoiises or Abattoirs in the country, leading to greater killings of cattle in spite of the Directive Principles of State Policy as enshrined in Articles 48 and 48A of the constitution and also in spite of the fact that this would only pollute the environment; and

(b) the details of such sanctioned or proposed mechanised slaughter houses or abattoirs in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NmSH KUMAR) : (a) Setting up of mechanised slaughter houses or abattoirs in the country would not in any way pollute the environment; in fact they are aimed at preventing environmental pollution by providing proper affluent treatment and waste disposal facilities. Mechanised slaughter houses would also, in no way, lead to greater killings of cattle and violation of Directive Principles of State Policy as enshrined in Articles 48 and 48A of the Constitution as they are only meant to improve the systems and facilities currently in use.

(b) Semi-mechanised slaughter houses at Srinagar. Majitar (Sikkim), Madras and Trichur have been sanctioned in the Seventh Five Year Plan. Proposals for Hyderabad, Bangalore and Delhi have been received.

Assessment ef achievements under theRural Landless Employment GuaranteeProgramme

3580. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any assessment had been made about the achievements under the Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme in different States during 1988-89;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how do the achievements of Andhra Pradesh match with other States *1*

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA) : (a) and (b) Against the resources of Rs 761.55 crores released' to various States/UTs under RLEGP during 1988-89, Rs. 669.37 crores are reported to have been utilised. The resource utilisation comes to 87.90%. As regards physical achievement, a target of 260.42 million

mandays of employment generation was fixed for the year 1988-89 against which 296.56 million mondays are reported to have been generated in various StatesyUTs under RLEGP during 1988-89. The percentage achievement comes to 113.88%. State-wise performance under RLEGP during 1988-89,, is given in Annexure. *[See* Appendix CLV, Annexure No. 132]

(c) During 1988-89, against resource of Rs. 70.10 crores released to Andhra Pradesh under RLEGP, Rs. 63.82 crores are reported to have been utilised in the State, which comes to 91.05%. Against the target of 26.25 million mandays of employment generation, 29.45 million mandays of employment were generated in Andhra Pradesh under RLEGP during 1988-89, which is 112.20% of the target. As compared to other States/UTs, performance of Andhra Pradesh is rated as 'Very Good'.

Exploitation of labourers by middlemen

3581. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to statewhether Government have recently received any complaints about the labourers from Andhra Pradesh being ex ploited and victimised by middlemen for sending them abroad ?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : Yes, Sir. Complaints from *two* workers from Hyderabad regarding cheating have been received in the current year against two unregistered agents. The complaints have been referred to the police authorities for investigation.

Subsidy to fertilizer industry

3582. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what was the amount of central subsidy given to the fertilizer industry in the country during the years 1986 and 1987, year-wise; and

'(b) what is the extent to which the central subsidy has proved as an incentive to operate the fertilizer units according to their installed capacity stating the extent to which it has helped in bringing down the imports of fertilizers ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOP-MENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRI-CULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA) : (a) The subsidies paid on indigenous fertilizers during the financial years 1985-86, 1986-87 and 1987-88 were Rs. 1600 crores, Rs. 1700 crores and Rs. 2050 crores, respectively.

(b) Under the retention price and subsidy scheme, the fertilizer units are assured of a return of 12% post-tax on net-worth. This has proved to be quite an incentive for the investment in the fertilizer sector resulting in increased production and reduction in imports of fertilizers. Production (N+P) as a percentage of consumption has increased from 61% in 1980-81 to 92% in 1987-88.

मदन महल रेलवे स्टेशन, मध्य प्रदेश का विकास

3583. **श्री शिवप्रसाद चनपुरिया** : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या मध्य प्रदेश के जबलपुर नगर में मध्य रेलवे के मदन महल रेलवे स्टेशन का विकास करने संबंधी कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचारधीन है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है?

रेल मन्त्री (श्री जार्ज फर्नांडीज) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) 4.64 लाख रुपये की लागत पर मदन महल रेलवे स्टेशन की इमारत का विस्तार पहले ही स्वीकृत किया जा चुका है।

Completion of Talcher-Sambalpur Broad Gauge rail line

3584. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased state :

(a) by when the Talcher-Sambalpur Broad Gauge rail line is likely to be com-pleted;

(b) the amount spent so far and percen-tage of work done in this line;

(c) by when the Talcher-Angul Railway line is likely to be opened for traffic; and